**Table 8: U.S. Export Sales Summary** 1/

U.S. export sales were up in March 2000. Upland cotton sales for delivery in MY 1999/2000 during Mar 9 - Mar 30 (3 weeks) registered net sales of 237,500 running bales, a weekly average of 79,700 bales. In MY 1998/99, upland sales during Mar 4 - Apr 1, 1999, registered net sales of 126,700 running bales, a weekly average of 31,675 bales. The weekly upland export average through Mar 30 for MY 1999/2000 was 108,437 running bales against MY 1998/99's weekly export average of 83,000 running bales. Accumulated exports through Mar 30 for MY 1999/2000 were 3.80 million bales, compared with 2.90 million bales last year. Total upland outstanding sales for MY 1999/2000 were 2.44 million running bales, compared with 879,700 bales the same time a year ago. Upland commitments to date were 6.24 million running bales, compared with 3.78 million bales last year. Pima export sales during Mar 9 - Mar 30 for delivery during MY 1999/2000 totaled 32,900 running bales and total net sales were 38,700 running bales. Pima accumulated exports through Mar 30 for MY 1999/2000 totaled 224,500 running bales, compared with 137,300 running bales the same time a year ago. Total Pima commitments amounted to 405,300 running bales.

U.S. Cotton Export Sales For 3 -Week Period March 9 - March 30, MY 1999/2000 (1,000 Running Bales)					
Region/Country	Pima	All Upland	Upland		
			>1-1/16"	1" to 1-1/16"	< 1"
European Union <sup>2/</sup>	0.6	7.5	7.5	0.0	0.0
Other Western Europe	0.9	94.0	44.7	46.5	2.9
Eastern Europe	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Former Soviet Union	0.0	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.0
Japan	1.8	8.9	6.6	1.5	0.8
Taiwan	9.8	12.3	3.6	5.3	3.3
China	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Korea Republic	7.1	3.2	1.9	1.3	0.0
India	0.0	2.7	2.3	0.4	0.0
Other Asia & Oceania	11.4	64.6	47.5	16.4	0.7
Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Western Hemisphere	1.8	48.0	26.8	20.2	1.0
Unknown	<u>-0.5</u>	<u>-4.2</u>	<u>-1.8</u>	<u>-1.5</u>	<u>-0.9</u>
Total Net Sales	32.9	237.5	139.6	90.1	7.9

Note: Totals may not add due to rounding.

1 Total Net Sales includes 461,800 running bales of Upland and 46,400 running bales of Pima carryover from MY 1998/99.

2 European Union refers to the group of 15 countries formerly known as the European Community.

Source: USDA/FAS April-00